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Title: DROPLET EJECTING APPARATUS AND EJECTION

ABNORMALITY DETECTING/DETERMINING METHOD

FOR A DROPLET EJECTING HEAD

Attorney Docket: 9319S-000656

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.